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SUBJECT: SEPTEMBER 27 MEETING OF GATT DAIRY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

REF: GENEVA 5764

1. THE GATT DAIRY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MET ON SEPTEMBER 27. THE PRIMARY PURPOSE OF THE MEETING WAS TO EXCHANGE INFORMATION ON SALES OF NFDM BELOW THE MINIMUM PRICE UNDER THE MAY DECISION.

2. A LARGE PART OF THE MEETING WAS TAKEN UP BY COMPLAINTS ON THE PART OF AUSTRALIA, THE EC AND CANADA CONCERNING NEW ZEALAND'S UNWILLINGNESS TO FURNISH PRICE INFORMATION ON SALES OF NFDM UNDERTAKEN UNDER THE MAY 10 DEROGATION FROM THE MINIMUM PRICE. NEW ZEALAND IS WILLING TO FURNISH ONLY AVERAGE PRICES OF ALL TRANSACTIONS BUT NOT SPECIFIC PRICES FOR INDIVIDUAL TRANSACTIONS. CANADA AND AUSTRALIA

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DECLARED THAT THEY WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO CONTINUE

SUPPLYING PRICE INFORMATION IF AS IMPORTANT A SUPPLIER
AS NEW ZEALAND REFUSED TO DO SO.

3. ANOTHER QUESTION UNDER DEBATE WAS WHETHER A NOTARY
PUBLIC CAN CERTIFY THAT NFDM SOLD BELOW THE FORMER
MINIMUM PRICE IS DESTINED MUST BE MADE BY GOVERNMENTAL
AGENCIES. IT WAS GENERALLY AGREED THAT SUCH
CERTIFICATION MUST BE MADE BY A GOVERNMENTAL AGENCY.

4. THE EC DEL DENIED AN AUSTRALIAN ALLEGATION THAT
THE USSR HAD RECENTLY BOUGHT 15,000 MT OF NFDM FROM
THE EC AS WELL AS A CANADIAN ALLEGATION THAT FRANCE
HAD SOLD 50,000 MT OF NFDM TO HUNGARY.

5. IN ITS REPORT ON THE SITUATION CONCERNING BUTTER
FAT, THE EC DEL STATED THAT AS OF SEPTEMBER 16 TOTAL
EEC BUTTER STOCKS AMOUNTED TO 424,000 MT, OF WHICH
197,000 MT WERE IN PUBLIC HANDS AND 227,000 MT
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